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SUBJ: KOREAN TRADE PROMOTION OFFICIAL DETAILED TO GHANA

1. MR. JOONDU JOHONG, DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUDGETING DEPT., KOREA TRADE PROMOTION CORP. (KOTRA) HAS INFORMED EMBASSY HE IS BEING DETAILED TO GHANA FOR THREE MONTHS, DEPARTING SEOUL JANUARY 20, ARRIVING ACCRA END OF JANUARY. DETAIL IS IN RESPONSE TO GHANAIAN GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR A KOREAN ADVISOR ON TRADE PROMOTION POLICY, WITH EMPHASIS ON EXPORT PROMOTION. MR. JOHONG STATED THAT IN ABSENCE KOREA/GHANA DIPLOMATIC RELATONS, AND WITH VERY LITTLE INFORMATION ON GHANA OR ITS ECONOMY AVAILABLE IN KOREA, HE WOULD THUS APPRECIATE INTRODUCTION TO APPROPRIATE OFFICERS IN U.S. EMBASSY ACCRA WHO MIGHT BE ABLE PROVIDE HIM WITH BRIEFING, AND GUIDANCE ON LOCAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

2. KOTRA IS NON-PROFIT KOREAN GOVT. AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROMOTION COUNTRY'S EXTERNAL TRADE. IT OPERATES SOME 75 OVERSEAS TRADE CENTERS, INCLUDING TEN IN THE U.S. AND EIGHT IN AFRICA. MR. JOHONG SPEAKS ENGLISH VERY WELL.

3. EMBASSY HAS GIVEN MR. JOHONG NAMES OF E/C OFFICERS DONALD BORN AND ALBERT GLAD, AS WELL AS AID DIRECTOR IRVING COKER AND PROGRAM OFFICER CHARLES JOHNSON. IF
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THESE ARE NOTAPPROPRIATE, OR EMBASSY HAS OTHER SUGGESTIONS, PLASE NOTIFY US PRIOR TO JOHONG'S DEPARTURE. IN ANY EVENT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE EMBASSY MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.
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